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2:30 p.m.  
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Ways of Making  
Juried Art Exhibit  
Through June 23  
Reception  
June 23  
4:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Visual Arts Gallery

Pre-K Screening/  
Registration/Tours  
June 12, 13  
9 a.m. to 2  
Family Dev Cntr  
708.235.7300

Sex in the Sand  
Counseling Workshop  
June 21  
10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Engbretson Hall  
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Counseling Workshop  
June 22  
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
E Lounge  
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## News and Events

### Ta Ta for Now (12-23-10)

Do you hear what I hear? It is almost time to leave GSU for 2010. The university will be closed for winter break from Friday, December 24 through Monday, January 3. Normal operations will resume on Tuesday, January 4.

And remember - the weather outside can be frightful, so be careful and take care. On the upside, it looks as if we will have a winter wonderland because of it. It is time to deck the halls, jingle some bells, and go wassailing.

We wish you a merry holiday season and a very happy new year. And rest ye merry gentlemen and ladies of GSU - until normal operations resume on Tuesday, January 4.

See you next year!



### Gentle Reminder

While some campus offices and rooms do not have windows to the outside world, many do, particularly in the FOC.

Please remember to close all windows and turn heating units to "low heat" before leaving for the holidays. This will protect your office and the offices below and beside yours from damage that may result when frozen water pipes fracture and cause flooding.

For more information, contact Facilities Development and Management at ext. 4515.

### IRiS Team Ready for Holiday Break (12-20-10)

Governors State University is six months into the IRiS Project. And, for many IRiS team members, this holiday break is welcome.

In the past six months, IRiS teams:

- Participated in more than 50 on-site training days - all of them were eight hours in length - with Datatel consultants;
- Took part in more than 45 on-site consulting days with Datatel consultants;

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\$50  
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708.534.4092

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- Attended more than 25 remote consulting meetings with Datatel consultants; and
- Held more than 240 team meetings to review and work through team workbook assignments.

In addition to all the above training, consulting, and team meetings, the teams also turned in exemplary performances at their “full-time jobs” at GSU.

To all IRiS team members, thank you for your diligence and hard work to make GSU a better place for students and staff.

## **Holiday Time**

GSU will be closed for holiday break from Friday, December 24 through Monday, January 3. Normal operations will resume on Tuesday, January 4.

Please note that the cafeteria is closed and will reopen on January 4.

## **Lights Out**

GSU is participating in Will County's holiday light recycling program. Holiday lights may be placed in a drop box near the housekeeping office, located in the A building next to the gymnasium. After the holiday season, GSU will deliver the used lights to Will County.

The university encourages all members of the GSU community to recycle their lights on campus as part of its ongoing green initiatives.

## **Winter Commencement 2011 Volunteers**

GSU staff, faculty, and students are asked to help make commencement a very special time for all of everyone by volunteering. The 2011 Winter Commencement will be held on Saturday, February 5, at 11 a.m., at the Tinley Park Holiday Inn Select and Convention Center.

Volunteers are needed to answer questions, provide directions, assist with robing faculty and students, and assist with guest entry and seating. Volunteers play an important role in making commencement a most memorable experience for our students, faculty, staff and guests.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact [Pulchratia Kinney-Smith](#) at ext. 7466 by Friday, January 14.

## **Cyberdrive 2011**

Cyberdrive, the Secretary of State's Mobile Service Unit, will be at on campus on Tuesday, January 18, from 1:30 to 7 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

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Services available at the mobile service unit include driver's license renewal, replacement, and corrections; State ID card renewal, replacement, and corrections; vehicle sticker sales; passenger and b-truck license plates; vehicle title and registration; parking placards for persons with disabilities; and organ/tissue donor information. In addition, vision tests and the written driver's license exam can be taken. No driving tests will be given.

The services provided are available to all qualified Illinois residents. State law allows driver's license renewal up to one year in advance. Proper identification is required for new and duplicate driver's licenses and state ID cards. Acceptable forms of payment include personal checks, cash, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover credit and debit cards.

For information, visit [www.cyberdriveillinois.com](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com).

### **GSU Logins/E-Mail Addresses Changing (12-16-10)**

As part of the IRiS Project and to benefit the university, the hyphen between the first initial and last name of all faculty and staff login IDs/e-mail addresses will be removed on December 27. This change will aid in the process of moving to a single sign-on model for all application access points on campus.

**Before December 27:** r-smith

**After December 27:** rsmith

E-mail sent to your hyphenated address will continue to be received and properly routed to your new e-mail. Please communicate your new e-mail address to those outside of GSU. All new employee accounts will be created without the hyphen.



The process to remove the hyphen will start Sunday, December 26, at 11 p.m., and end Monday, December 27, at 8 a.m. During this period, you will not be able to access any application that requires a login, e.g. OWA, VPN, Colleague, WebCT/Blackboard, CMS.

After the hyphens have been removed, your password will NOT change. The change will be mostly transparent. Exceptions include iPhones, iPads, and some other smartphone technologies. With these devices, the e-mail configuration must be adjusted with the new login ID. Instructions for Apple devices are available at [www.govst.edu/appleidchange](http://www.govst.edu/appleidchange).

Existing print items, such as business cards and letterhead, can be used and changed when you reorder.

Additional information is available in the Login/e-mail change FAQ: [www.govst.edu/idchangefaq](http://www.govst.edu/idchangefaq). Contact the GSU Helpdesk at ext. 4357 with questions.

### **Winter Break**

The holidays are fast approaching. GSU will be closed for holiday break

from Friday, December 24 through Monday, January 3. Normal operations will resume on Tuesday, January 4.

Please note that the cafeteria will close on Friday, December 17, at 2:30 p.m. and reopen on January 4.

## **Bring on the Babies**

Beginning on Friday December 17, GSU's Family Development Center (FDC) will open an Illinois State licensed childcare facility for infants, toddlers, and two year olds. The little ones will be cared for in specially equipped classrooms of eight children, each staffed with two teachers. The infant and toddler childcare center will be open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The staff of the FDC has been extensively and specially trained to care for young children. The facility has been renovated to serve the needs of the new students. Licensure required extensive review by the State. The FDC facility and staff will be able to serve 48 children in six classrooms.



"We are extremely pleased and proud to announce that after 12 months of hard work and preparation we have reached our goal. We will provide a state-of-the-art program in a fully equipped facility," said Carol Morrison, Executive Director of the FDC.

The FDC also offers full and half day pre-kindergarten, three or five days a week, and childcare for three to five year olds and before and after school childcare for five to 12 year olds.

Several, special grants may be available to assist eligible families with infant toddler childcare costs. Discounts are also offered for GSU students and staff.

For more information or to register your child, call 708.235.7300.

## **Fantastic Toy Shoppe**

Get into the holiday spirit at The Center for Performing Arts with *The Fantastic Toy Shoppe*, on Saturday, December 18, at 3 p.m. This show is sure to delight the entire family, and is available to the GSU community at the special buy one get one free ticket price. Tickets are regularly \$11.50.

The special offer begins on Friday, December 17, at 10 a.m. and ends on Saturday, December 18, 2 p.m.

Call the box office at 708.235.2222 or visit in person.

## **Strung Out**

GSU is participating in Will County's holiday light recycling program. The County has set up 12 permanent drop off sites throughout the area. While not an official drop off site, the university encourages all members of the GSU community to recycle their lights on campus as part of its ongoing green initiatives.

Holiday lights may be placed in a drop box near the housekeeping office, located in the A building next to the gymnasium. After the holiday season, GSU will deliver the used lights to Will County.

Marta Keane, Recycling Program Specialist with the Will County Land Use – Resource Recovery and Energy Division, said. "String lights are recyclable and should never be simply sent to the landfill. When you recycle, you save valuable resources, energy, and prevent water pollution."

## **Students Teaching Students**

On Monday, December 6, student teachers, with almost a full semester of in-class experience under their belts, met with students in EDEC Lab



3 who will student teach next semester. Dr. Jeanine Klommes, associate professor of early childhood education, arranged the meeting, which was attended by Dr. Colleen Sexton, chair of the division of education, John Powers, ECE academic advisor, and 26 GSU students. The purpose of the informal gathering was to let students learn from classroom veterans. The current student teachers shared stories and observations about their experiences and offered advice and encouragement.

According to Dr. Klommes, the experienced students spoke of the responsibilities, challenges, craziness, and joy of student teaching. "It was an uplifting morning."

The students also provided Dr. Sexton with ideas on how to improve the program and noted that they were very well prepared for their student teaching experience.

## **Commencement Prep Commences**

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## **BOT Expresses Strong Support for Maimon's Leadership (12-13-10)**

Following a comprehensive assessment, conducted over the last several months, GSU President Elaine P. Maimon received a strong endorsement from the university's Board of Trustees on Friday. The endorsement was part of a review process that involved independent



consultant Robert Atwell, who conducted 83 interviews regarding Dr. Maimon's performance.

Trustees unanimously approved a resolution expressing "continuing support and sincere appreciation and gratitude" for Dr. Maimon's leadership. Maimon has been serving as GSU's fifth president since July, 2007. During her tenure, the resolution states, Dr. Maimon has rightly and continuously focused on, and materially succeeded in five major areas of strategic interest to GSU's future. The Board specifically acknowledged her leadership focus on growth, quality, and productivity.

The resolution concluded by encouraging Dr. Maimon to continue working "with the Board, the faculty, staff and students, and all other stakeholders and supporters of the university to ensure even greater accomplishment in her leadership of Governors State University." The Board of Trustees passed the resolution at its last meeting of the year held on Friday, December 10.

In other business, the Board approved a resolution endorsing a call to action on degree completion from the American Association of Community Colleges. The AACC is asking member institutions to promote the development and implementation of policies, practices, and institutional cultures that will produce 50 percent more students with high quality degrees and certifications by 2020. Chair Samuels and President Maimon signed the call to action document, becoming the only four year university in Illinois to do so.

Linda Uzureau, GSU's Assistant to the President for Community College Partnerships, made a presentation about the Dual Degree Program to the Board. GSU, in partnership with six regional community colleges, is offering a Dual Degree Program designed to boost the number of college graduates, on both the university and community college level. The program goes far beyond more traditional articulation agreements between universities and community colleges, she said.

Vice Provost of Academic Affairs John Stoll, Executive Leader of the IRIS Project Management Team, gave an update on implementation of the university's new ERP system. According to the latest timeline, segments of university operations, such as Advancement/Alumni, are scheduled to go live with Datatel's Colleague system in January. Purchasing and Accounts Payable have been pushed back and will now make their debut in July; however, payroll will be run on both the old and new system beginning in February. Students will be able to access the new system for registration in April, Stoll said.

Sherilyn Poole, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, presented a report on efforts by the university's Emergency Response Team to improve safety conditions on campus. The ERT is in charge of evacuation and tornado drills, has established weather spotters, and placed AED defibrillators around GSU. In addition, the university's Campus Threat Assessment Team has taken steps to anticipate aggressive or threatening behavior before violent incidents can take place. In the last three years, Poole said, criminal incidents at GSU have steadily declined.

The Board of Trustees also:

- Approved a contract for roofing repairs with Chicago Heights Construction Company.
- Awarded a contract renewal with Simantel Group Ltd, of Peoria, for

marketing consultation services.

- Authorized an amendment in the contract with Datatel, Inc., of Fairfax , Va., for additional scope of work and related expenditures.
- Approved an affiliation agreement with Advocate Health Centers, Inc. for the use of various Advocate sites for practical learning and clinical sites for GSU nursing students.

### **Get Crackin' with The Center (12-09-10)**

The Center for Performing Arts will offer GSU buy one get one free tickets for the 5 p.m. performance of *The Nutcracker* on Saturday, December 11. The production features soloists from the American Ballet Theatre, the Chicago Youth Symphony, and the Salt Creek Ballet.

The offer is not good on previously purchased tickets and is available for the platinum seats only, which are normally \$40 for adults and \$35 for children 16 and under.

The offer begins at 10 a.m. on Friday, December 10 and ends at 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 11.

Tickets are available by visiting the box office in person, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., or by calling 708.235.2222.

### **ITS Schedules Multiple December Maintenance/Upgrade Dates**

ITS has scheduled several types of system and software upgrades for the end of December. All campus computers and user accounts will be affected.

These updates are necessary to ensure that our systems run as smoothly as possible and will also provide users with a better computing experience.

Please download the memos below for specific information on each of the upgrades/updates:

- [Desktop Software Update](#) (Office, SPSS, Adobe Acrobat, Internet Explorer)
- [GSU login/e-mail address change](#)
- [Server Maintenance](#) – December 19
- [Student iMail Upgrade](#)

Contact the Helpdesk with questions at ext. 4357.

### **Celebrate the Holidays**

It's time to celebrate a year of accomplishments at the annual GSU holiday party. Join President Maimon and the Board of Trustees on Friday, December 10, from 3:30 to 5 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

### **On with the Show**

After playing to acclaim at festivals around the world, *Chicago Heights*, an independent feature film, produced with only a \$1,000 budget and



a volunteer cast and crew, will screen at the Gene Siskel Film Center in Chicago from December 10 to 16.

GSU associate professor Daniel Nearing and assistant professor Sanghoon Lee adapted *Winesburg, Ohio* by Sherwood Anderson, shifting the story from rural Ohio to suburban Chicago Heights. They produced *Chicago Heights* using students and resources from the GSU Master in Fine Arts in Independent Film and Digital Imaging program.

GSU students, faculty, staff, and board members are invited to see the film with other members of the GSU community on Friday, December 10. Tickets are \$25 and include a special pre-theater reception, coach bus ride to and from the Siskel Film Center, and a theater ticket. For those not wishing to ride the bus, tickets for the reception and film only are available for \$10 each.

To reserve a seat, contact [Penny Perdue](#) at ext. 4130.

## **Window Reminder**

Occupants of the FOC are reminded to shut their office windows after work hours. Open windows may result in frozen heating pipes, which may fracture and cause flooding. Collateral damage would not only occur in that office but in the offices adjacent to and below as well. Remediation is very costly in time, money, and loss of materials.

FOC occupants are advised to check the windows at the end of the work day and turn heating units to "low heat."

Please be aware that all costs for remediation of damage resulting from an open window will be the responsibility of the college or department unit.

For more information, contact Facilities Development and Management at ext. 4515.

## **Scholastic Book Fair**

There is no better gift for a child than a new book. The Family Development Center is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair today and tomorrow, from 9 to 7 p.m. The FDC is located across the street from parking lots A and B. All proceeds support the FDC library and classrooms. Cash, check, or charge cards are accepted.

## **Green Initiatives Recognized**

An *Excellence in Engineering* award was given to Energy Systems Group (ESG) and their engineer Phil Spagnolo for energy conservation measures in their GSU performance contract. The award was given by ASHRAE (American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers), an organization devoted to the advancement of indoor environment and control technology and promoters of research and development of efficient and environmentally friendly technologies.

GSU's sustainability efforts are currently on exhibit in the display case adjacent to the FDM offices. The display features information about campus-wide sustainability initiatives and the plaque honoring GSU as

a recipient of the Governor's Sustainability Award.

## **Spring Semester Book Cards**

As the Fall semester ends, students are reminded that Book Card distribution for the Spring 2011 semester will take place on Thursday, January 13, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. and Tuesday, January 18, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., in the Hall of Honors. Book Cards will also be available in the Office of Financial Aid, Room C1310, during regular office hours on January 14 and January 19 through 21, from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., daily, or 4:45 p.m., on Fridays.

The Office of Financial Aid offers a \$300, \$500, or \$700 book card advance to assist students with the purchase of books and supplies.

Students that meet the following criteria are eligible:

- Completed a 2010/2011 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and awarded financial aid;
- Admitted to a degree-seeking program at GSU;
- Registered for at least six (6) credit hours;
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress; and
- Have enough financial aid to cover tuition and fees, plus the \$300, \$500, or \$700 book card advance.

Book card amounts are based on the registration hours at the time each card is picked up. Students are only eligible for one card in one denomination per term and are not allowed to increase the amount on the card.

Please note that students who have not been awarded financial aid but have submitted a financial aid application, including all required supporting documentation and meet the criteria listed above, are eligible to receive a book card advance.

## **Going, Going, Gone**



Civil Service Day came and went and a good time was had by all. Welcoming remarks were made by Civil Service President Laura Owens, GSU President Elaine Maimon, and Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees Kristi DeLaurentiis.

The Civil Service Employee of the Year was awarded to Mary Jones of FDM.



The Leroy Morrison Awards were given to Deirdre Webb of the Registrar's Office, Scott G. Smith of FDM, and Donna Rutledge, formerly of ARC.

The Civil Service show, *Going, Going, Going, Gone*, delighted attendees with jokes and songs performed by some of GSU's most talented (and outgoing) staff members and special guest performer, Dr. Mort Maimon.



## **IRiS Advisory Team Reviews New Portal (12-6-10)**

More than 40 faculty and staff were on hand at last Thursday's IRiS Campus Wide Advisory Group meeting for a preview of the new myGSU portal. President Maimon, Executive Vice President Ejigu, and other IRiS Executive Sponsor Team members attended the first-time viewing.

Many of the portal's new capabilities were presented at the meeting. They include:

- A single location for all primary GSU business functions;
- A primary communication tool for administrative and general announcements;
- The ability for campus groups to create and maintain microsites (i.e. UCC, Faculty Senate, Civil Service Senate);
- Document sharing/editing;
- A group-specific calendar;
- Auto access when logged into an on campus computer (prompted login from non-network computer with standard GSU user name and password); and
- Content that is specific to individual based on constituency settings (i.e. Civil Service, Faculty, Unit A).



In addition, the portal will replace the current myGSU interface and the current Intranet, and will contain links to the GSU's website. It also provides single source sign on access to other programs. It will be used as the main communication tool for major university announcements, campus-wide events, and community information. The GSU View will also be available on the portal.

A top portal feature for faculty, staff, and students is its ability to house functions such as university forms (i.e. purchasing, travel, print shop), real-time news and announcements, departmental budget management, student grade input, HR benefit information, vacation/sick time accrual, IT Helpdesk and tutorials, timesheet and hour reporting, and all student services (registration, financial aid, transcripts, grades).

The portal will be up and running in the first quarter of 2011 for faculty and staff. Students will have access in April and will be able to register for Fall 2011 classes through the new myGSU portal.

## **CAS Dean Candidate Presentations**

Two candidates for the position of CAS Dean will be on campus today and tomorrow. Each will participate in a full day of interviews, including a public presentation on the topic of their vision for CAS. There will also be time for the audience to ask questions of the candidate.

All students, staff, and faculty are invited to the public presentation.

The public presentation by Dr. Patricia Sullivan ([view vitae](#)) ([view bio](#)) will be today, December 6, at 1:30 p.m., in the Hall of Honors. All attendees are asked to complete an [evaluation form for Dr. Sullivan's presentation](#).

The public presentation by Dr. James Payne ([view vitae](#)) ([view bio](#)) will be on Tuesday, December 7, at 1:30 p.m., in the Hall of Honors. All attendees are asked to complete an [evaluation form for Dr. Payne's presentation](#).

For questions or additional information, please contact [Penny Perdue](#) at ext. 4130.

## **No Phishing Allowed**

Information Technology Services (ITS) recently cautioned GSU faculty and staff to ignore and delete all general notices regarding their GSU e-mail or network accounts unless they come from ITS through the ITSNEWS e-mail account only. Fraudulent e-mails have been sent to GSU faculty and staff recently, which are designed to acquire sensitive information such as usernames and passwords. If you receive such any fraudulent (phishing) e-mail, delete it immediately.

For more information, contact the GSU Helpdesk at ext. 4357.

## **Holiday Cheer**

It's time to celebrate a year of accomplishments at the annual GSU holiday party. Join President Maimon and the Board of Trustees on Friday, December 10, from 3:30 to 5 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

RSVP to [Penny Perdue](#) at ext. 4130.

## **Enjoy the Show**

On Friday, December 10, GSU students, faculty, staff, and board members will have the opportunity to see *Chicago Heights*, a film made by GSU faculty and students, at the Gene Siskel Film Center in Chicago.

The film, based on *Winesburg, Ohio* by Sherwood Anderson, was made on a very limited budget. It has been featured at international and national film festivals and earned a "thumbs up" from Roger Ebert. For more information on the film, visit [www.923films.com](http://www.923films.com).

Tickets are \$25 and include a special pre-theater reception, coach bus ride to and from the Siskel Film Center, and a theater ticket. For those not wishing to ride the bus, tickets for the reception and film only are available for \$10 each.

To reserve a seat, contact [Penny Perdue](#) at ext. 4130.

## **A Wonderful Civil Service Day**

It's a Wonderful Civil Service Life is the theme of the 27th annual Civil Service Day on December 8. The festivities begin at 10 a.m., in Sherman Hall, with awards, guest speakers and a really fun show.

Early seating is available for Civil Service staff and retirees. General admission begins at 9:50 a.m.

After the show at noon, the fun moves to the Hall of Governors for the luncheon. Tickets are required.

For more information, contact [Laura Owens](#) at ext. 2134.

## **Health and Human Services Career Fair**

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a Health and Human Services Career Fair on Tuesday, December 7, from 3 to 6 p.m., in The Center for Performing Arts lobby.

Prospective employers in the fields of physical and occupational therapy, nursing, social work, and non-profit services will meet with job candidates.

The career fair is open to current students, GSU alumni, and members of the community seeking employment in these fields. There is no charge for job seekers. Participants are advised to dress professionally and bring resumes.

Representatives from both public and private institutions, organizations, and businesses interested in meeting job candidates are also welcome.

For more information or to register, call 708.235.3974 or e-mail [career@govst.edu](mailto:career@govst.edu).

## **Ringling Endorsement of DDP (12-2-12)**

City of Chicago Treasurer Stephanie D. Neely recently released an *Important Education Message for Parents and Students* in the form of a Letter to the Editor posted on the Treasurer's website. In her message, she praises GSU's Dual Degree Program, which enables students to "work toward a bachelor's degree by first beginning course studies in an associate's degree program. Once accepted into the Dual Degree Program, students can lock in tuition rates and are guaranteed that any credits earned in the associate's program will be transferred toward their bachelor's degree."

[View Stephanie Neely's Letter to the Editor.](#)

## **CAS Dean Candidate Visits**

Two candidates for the position of CAS Dean will be on campus in early December. Each will be on campus for a full day of interviews, including a public presentation on the topic of their vision for CAS. There will also be time for the audience to ask questions of the candidate.

All students, staff, and faculty are invited to these presentation.

Monday, December 6 – Dr. Patricia Sullivan (view [vitae](#) and [bio](#))

Tuesday, December 7 – Dr. James Payne (view [vitae](#) and [bio](#))

On each day, the candidate will follow the same schedule, as listed below.

7:30 a.m. - Meeting with Provost Allison  
9:30 a.m. - Meeting with President Maimon  
10 a.m. - Meeting with CAS Faculty (CAS conference room, E2590)  
11:15 p.m. - Tour of Campus  
12:05 p.m. - Lunch with Search Committee Members  
1:30 p.m. - Public Presentation (Hall of Honors)  
2:45 p.m. - Meeting with Academic Deans  
4 p.m. - Meeting with Executive Vice President/Chief of Staff Ejigu  
4:45 p.m. - Meeting with Provost Allison  
5:15 p.m. - Meeting with President Maimon and Provost Allison

Please note that candidate Tamara Hunt has withdrawn for family reasons.

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## **I'll Never Grow Up**

Dr. Rosemary Johnsen, Assistant Professor of English, will deliver a lecture sponsored by the Raven Foundation exploring the themes of the Lookingglass Theatre's original adaptation of *Peter Pan (A Play)*.



The lecture will take place on December 4, at 12:30 p.m., at Loyola University Museum of Art and serves as a pre-show introduction to the 2 p.m. matinee performance of the play. In addition to her lecture, the Raven Foundation of Glenview, Illinois, asked Johnsen to contribute an essay, "The Persistence of Peter Pan" for the Lookingglass Theatre's program study guide.

According to Johnsen "The play's surprises move us to ponder the central mysteries that Peter Pan addresses: the nature of childhood, with its special fears and desires, and the relation of our adult selves to the children we used to be. Peter Pan absorbs and beguiles us because it takes up those universals."

Admission to the pre-show lecture is free. Loyola University Museum of Art is located at 820 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Reduced priced tickets to this Saturday's matinee performance are available through the [Raven Foundation website](#). *Peter Pan (A Play)* is running at the Lookingglass Theatre, 821 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

## **Khatas Presented**

COE professor Jon Carlson recently returned from a trip to India and a meeting with His Holiness the Dalai Lama with very special gifts for Dr. Elaine Maimon, Provost Terry Allison, and COE Dean Deborah Bordelon.



He presented each of them with Khatas, Tibetan scarves that have been blessed by the Dalai Lama. Khatas symbolize purity, goodwill, auspiciousness, and compassion. Once blessed by the Dalai Lama, they become cherished talismans.

Dr. Carlson's trip to India included some trekking in the Himalayas, and a meeting with the "Old Dharmshala Wallahs," a group of Westerners who lived in India in the 70s and 80s and studied with His Holiness. He traveled with his son, Dr. Matt Englar-Carlson, and Dr. Pat Love.

Drs. Love and Carlson recently finished their book *Never Be Lonely Again*, which is scheduled for national release on February 1, 2011. The book describes how Love and Carlson learned about how to recognize and treat loneliness on a trip to meet with the Dalai Lama in 2004. This book is his 55th book.

In November, Carlson published *Duped: Lies and Deception in Psychotherapy* with Jeffrey Kottler and *Working with Immigrant Families* with former GSU faculty member Adam Zigelbaum.



In January, Carlson will return to Thailand for the 11th year in a row to provide training to medical schools and health agencies throughout the nation. He will also launch a nation-wide parent education program based on his previous teachings. Carlson has been a GSU faculty member since 1971.

## **Career Fair Tuesday**

The Office of Career Services is sponsoring a Health Professions career fair on Tuesday, December 7, from 3 to 6 p.m., in the Hall of Governors.

Prospective employers in the fields of physical and occupational therapy, nursing, social work, and non-profit services will meet with job candidates.

The career fair is open to current students, GSU alumni, and members of the community seeking employment in these fields. There is no charge for job seekers. Participants are advised to dress professionally and bring resumes.

Representatives from both public and private institutions, organizations, and businesses interested in meeting job candidates are also welcome. For more information or to register, call 708.235.3974 or e-mail [career@govst.edu](mailto:career@govst.edu).

## **Keep the Cold Outside**



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As winter blows in, faculty and staff are reminded to close their office windows when they are not in their offices. This prevents freezing/ruptured pipes in individual heating and cooling units. Employees should also adjust their heat units to low heat at the end of each work day, to conserve energy.

Please note that all damage costs associated with ruptured pipes will be borne by the department responsible for leaving the window open.

Contact Facilities Development and Management at ext. 4515 with questions regarding operation of university heating and cooling units.

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## **Appreciation Event**

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GSU's Follett Bookstore invites faculty and staff to its annual Appreciation Event, on Monday, December 6, from 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. As a token of appreciation, the bookstore will extend a 25 percent discount on select merchandise during the event. Refreshments will be served and the bookstore staff will be available to assist customers. Call 708.534.4558 for additional details.

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## **Zone in on Reading**

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The Literacy Zone, a reading tutorial program for students in grades six through high school, is now accepting students. This 12-week, one-to-one program brings students experiencing reading problems together with teachers who have the skills to help them. Tutoring sessions are on Tuesdays, from February 1 through April 26, from 4:45 to 6:30 p.m. Students meet on campus with certified, experienced teachers enrolled in the Master of Arts Reading Program at GSU.

Enrollment is limited and based on the number of tutors. Students will be accepted in the order in which the completed application and registration fee are received. There is a \$70 registration fee. Snacks are provided at each session. Transportation is not provided.

For more information, contact [Dr. Mary Hession](#) at ext. 4122.

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## **GSU Xpress Break**

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The GSU Xpress shuttle service will cease operating on a regular schedule during the holiday and semester break, from December 13 through January 17. Shuttle service will be available by request only during this time period. To request a ride, call the Department of Public Safety at 708.534.4900. Requests must be received 15 minutes before normal scheduled departure times.

Pace bus service will operate as usual, under normal scheduled routes and times, during this time period.

The GSU Xpress shuttle service will return to its normal schedule on January 17.

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## **Cyber-Bullying Webinar**

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Cyber-Bullying is no longer only an elementary and secondary

education problem. Online bullying and electronic harassment are happening to college students. Campus professionals need to prepare to educate and address bullying behavior that uses technology and social media.

Student Life is sponsoring Cyber Bullying Comes to Campus: Preparation, Prevention, and Policies Webinar, on December 8, from 1 to 2:30 p.m., in B2203.

Learn from our presenters about:

- Common cyber-bully attacks and the impact they have on students, faculty, staff, and the larger campus community.
- Different campus approaches to this behavior (on and off campus).
- Cyber-bullying and technologies/platforms - text messaging, Facebook, JuicyCampus, and more.
- Case studies related to cyber-bullying.
- Cyber-bullying from a conduct, legal, and counseling perspective.

Registration is not required. For more information, contact [Sheree Sanderson](#) at ext. 4552.

### **Brubaker Grant Deadline Extended**

The deadline for grant applications to the newly-established Ronald Brubaker Memorial Fund has been extended to January 28, 2011. GSU faculty and students are encouraged to apply for grants supporting innovations in computer hardware and software.

The Memorial Fund will award approximately \$1,000 to two recipients. To be eligible, projects must demonstrate the potential for subsequent external support, publication, or exhibit; the significance of the technological innovation; and clarity and quality in the project description and need, plan of procedure, measurable objectives, appropriateness of the requested funds for the work, qualifications of the applicants, and reference to existing literature.

Information on the grant deadlines and how to apply for grants is available on the [Foundation's website](#).

For information or to make a donation, contact [Rosemary Hulett](#) at ext. 7892.

